

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

On re application of: Hirayanagi et al.

Application No. 09/749,865

Filed: December 27, 2000

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For: WAFER CHUCKS ALLOWING
CONTROLLED REDUCTION OF
SUBSTRATE HEATING AND RAPID
SUBSTRATE EXCHANGE

Examiner: Ram N. Kackar

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Enclosed is an Amendment and Reply After Final Action for the above application.

- ☒ Attached to the Amendment is an English translation of the full text of JP 07-273178 (Yutaka), already of record.
- ☒ No additional fee is required.
- ☒ Please charge any additional fees that may be required in connection with filing this amendment and any extension of time, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4550. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY AFTER FINAL ACTION

This responds to the Office action dated August 7, 2003. Please amend the referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.